



## Hackleton CEVA Primary School

### British Values

We want our children to become valuable and fully rounded members of society who treat everyone with respect and tolerance, regardless of background. We aim to provide an education that provides children with opportunities to explore and develop their own values and beliefs, spiritual awareness, high standards of personal behaviour, a positive caring attitude towards other people, an understanding of their social and cultural traditions and an appreciation of the diversity and richness of other cultures.

This is embedded throughout all aspects of school life:

- to enable children to distinguish right from wrong and to respect the civil and criminal law of England;
- to encourage children to accept responsibility for their behaviour, show initiative, and to understand how they can contribute positively to the lives of those living and working in the locality of our school and to society more widely;
- to provide pupils with a rounded education, including learning how to work and play together, understanding and respecting others' points of view, respecting and applying rules and understanding why these exist;
- to encourage respect for democracy and support for participation in the democratic processes, including respect for the basis on which the law is made and applied in England;
- to encourage pupils to value themselves and their unique contributions to their own and others' lives, and in turn to value and celebrate others and their qualities and abilities;
- to encourage acceptance that other people having different faiths or beliefs to oneself (or having none) should be accepted and tolerated, and should not be the cause of prejudicial or discriminatory behaviour.

We promote basic British values in the following ways:

### Democracy

We have a school council which consists of elected members, who are nominated and voted for by their classmates. They meet regularly to discuss a range of issues which are then fed back to the rest of the class where everyone has the opportunity to share their views and thoughts. If decisions have to be taken, each class member has a vote to ensure their opinion is valued and heard.

## **Rule of Law**

At the beginning of the school year class teachers discuss rules with their pupils and personalise them according to the age and needs of the class. All adults and children are asked to read our Home/School Agreement. Our children identified and voted for the Christian Values which we recognise as most important and inherent in our daily lives. All members of our school community are encouraged to engage with and embrace these values as part of everyday life.

We ensure that children understand that school and class rules are there to protect us and are essential for our wellbeing and safety. The school Behaviour Policy clearly states the sanctions that will be applied when rules are broken. Rules and values are revisited regularly through lessons and assemblies. Elements of history and RE provide opportunities to explore and discuss the role of law and authority in the past.

## **Individual Liberty**

We encourage our children to make choices, knowing they are in a safe and supportive environment to enable them to do this. Through PSHE lessons we discuss different choices that children may make and the consequences of those choices. Children are continually encouraged to make the right choices by all adults working in school. We encourage independent thinking which encourages children to reflect on their learning and choices they have made. The importance of making safe choices is reinforced particularly when using the internet. As well as individual lessons, this is shared with the whole school as part of our Online Safety education.

## **Mutual Respect**

We are an inclusive school and our Christian ethos, school aims and values reflect this. Children learn that their behaviours have an effect on their rights and those of others.

## **Tolerance of Different Faiths and Beliefs**

Many different faiths and beliefs are explored and celebrated through assemblies, RE lessons, visits to other places of worship and visitors to our school. Children within our school of different faiths are encouraged to share their practices and special celebrations. Parents are invited to share special celebrations with the children.